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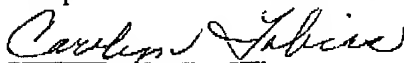
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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR)	
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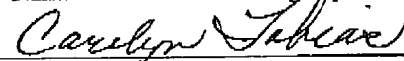
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed January 5, 2004, kindly amend the application in accordance with the following amendment sheet(s).